

Corruption in judiciary

†2950. SHRI JAI PRAKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a corruption of thousands of crores of rupees in the judiciary according to the Centre for Media Studies;

(b) whether 20 per cent judges of the country has been termed as corrupt by the former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, Shri S.P. Bharuch;

(c) whether it is a fact that Judges of the country do not make annual declaration of their assets;

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto;

(e) whether any steps have been taken or proposed to be taken by Government to eradicate corruption from judiciary; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) to (f) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Appointment of additional judges

2951. DR.MURLI MANOHER JOSHI:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more judges are required to dispose of the cases pending in the courts of different levels, in the country within appropriate time -frame;

(b) if so, the facts in this regard and the assessment made by Government thereon;

(c) whether Government have fixed any time -frame for appointment of additional judges as per the requirement; and

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